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SUBJECT: Relationship of Medical Support to Operations

# General Relationship

The Medical Office is responsible for providing medical support to Operations as required. It is the responsibility of Operations to use such support in accordance with the purpose for which support is given.

## Organization

Numbers and grades of medical personnel will be based on Medical Office recommendations and will require Medical Office approval.

## Personne)

- 1. Medical personnel will be transferred from the Medical Office and assigned directly to Operations as required. Such personnel remain the basic property of the Medical Office and will be returned to the Medical Office at the completion of tour of duty for which assigned. Assignment and overseas processing of medical personnel will be given priority.
- 2. Any personnel action involving promotion, demotion or basic change of assignment during tour of duty will require prior approval of the Medical Office or its designated representative.
- 3. In exceptional cases the Medical Office may require the return of field medical personnel prior to completion of tour of duty if the services of such personnel are needed more urgently in other areas and provided a satisfactory replacement is available.

#### <u>Budget</u>

Cost of medical support to Operations is the responsibility of the Operating Offices. The Medical Office vill assist as required in preparing medical aspects of budgetary estimates.

### Supply

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GIA governs medical supply procedures. The Medical Office will assist in preparing supply estimates and providing technical information as required.

SECRET SECURITY INFORMATION

#### Communications

- 1. A copy of all incoming and outgoing messages containing medical information will be forwarded to the Medical Office.
- 2. Field and designated headquarters medical officers are authorized to originate and transmit logistic information through command channels subject to the personal approval of the Area Division or Station Chief commanding at point of origin.

#### Scope of Support

Medical support will be available to all field personnel in areas where medical installations exist, security considerations permitting.